

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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TO: File

From: Jan Morse, Engineering Technician

RE: Reduced Bonding Amount, Meyer Construction, Inc.'s Mossy Rock Mine S/039/0025

Meyer Construction, Inc. has proposed a small mining operation to collect surface rock (building stone) to be used for landscaping. The proposed operation removes rock from the surface to a depth of 3-4 feet. Minimal regrading is required after the rock is extracted. Regraded areas would be seeded.

Applying the Division's third-party costs to regrading and seeding (with a 5-year escalation), the calculated amount to reclaim this area would be \$983.00/acre (\$1,000) plus the \$2,000 for equipment mobilization. The operator has proposed a \$7,000 bond (cash) for this 5-acre site. His proposal is what the Division would have calculated for this project.

It is proposed that the Division accept the proposed \$7,000 surety for this project.

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